

**President Obama, Foreign Policy, and the 2014 Elections**  
 September 12-15, 2014

- This poll finds negative assessments of President Barack Obama, including more than half who say he isn't being tough enough in his approach to dealing with the Islamic militant group ISIS.
- The President receives his lowest approval ratings ever on handling terrorism and on foreign policy. More generally, 57% are dissatisfied with his presidency.
- Republicans are more enthusiastic than Democrats about voting this November and 55% of Republicans say their vote will be against the President.
- Americans are unhappy with Washington and disapprove of both parties in Congress.
- The Republican party has the lead over the Democrats on key issues (the economy, foreign policy, and terrorism) and has the lead in the generic congressional ballot.

**The President and the 2014 Elections**

Despite his speech last week, the President receives criticism for his most recent foreign policy challenge – the situation with the ISIS militants – and his approval ratings on handling terrorism and foreign policy have also taken a hit.

57% of Americans don't think President Obama is being tough enough in dealing with ISIS militants, while just 31% think his approach is about right. Republicans are particularly critical of President Obama on this measure: 83% of Republicans don't think he is being tough enough.

**Is President Obama Tough Enough In Dealing With ISIS?**

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
Not tough enough	57%	83%	40%	54%
About right	31	12	50	29
Too tough	2	0	2	3

In addition, President Obama's handling of the threat of terrorism – once considered an area of strength for this President – is now at the lowest of his presidency. Just 41% approve of his handling of the issue, a drop of 12 points since March.

**President Obama's Handling of Terrorism**

	Now	3/2014	11/2013	9/2013	5/2011*
Approve	41%	53%	51%	49%	72%
Disapprove	50	38	41	43	19

\*After the killing of Osama bin Laden

Since March, the President's approval rating on handling terrorism has declined across the political spectrum: Republicans (down 11pts), Democrats (down 16pts) and independents (down 10pts).

The President's approval rating on handling foreign policy, now at 34%, is also a record low. His ratings on the economy and immigration continue to be negative.

#### President Obama's Job Ratings on Other Issues

	----- Now -----		----- August -----	
	Approve	Disapprove	Approve	Disapprove
Foreign policy	34%	58	36%	48
Economy	40%	53	40%	54
Immigration	30%	60	31%	57

President Obama's overall job rating remains more negative than positive. 40% approve of his overall job performance – similar to last month, although his rating is 5 points lower than it was heading into the 2010 Congressional elections, when Republicans won control of the House of Representatives.

#### President Obama's Job Rating

	Now	8/2014	6/2014	2/2013	9/2010
Approve	40%	41%	40%	52%	45%
Disapprove	50	50	54	38	47

At 40%, President Obama's job approval rating is similar to George W. Bush's in September 2006, before the 2006 midterm elections – when Democrats captured control of the House and the Senate.

#### President Obama vs. Past Presidents

	Approve	Disapprove	
Barack Obama	40%	50	Now
George W. Bush	37%	56	9/2006
Bill Clinton	62%	34	9/1998
Ronald Reagan	63%	27	9/1986

Most Americans (57%) are disappointed in Mr. Obama's presidency, including a third who are very disappointed. Much of this discontent comes from Republicans and independents, but a quarter of Democrats express at least some disappointment.

#### Feelings About Obama Presidency So Far?

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
Very satisfied	9%	1%	19%	6%
Somewhat satisfied	32	9	53	31
<b>Total Satisfied</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>37%</b>
Somewhat disappointed	22	16	16	29
Very disappointed	35	74	9	33
<b>Total Disappointed</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>62%</b>

These negative evaluations of the President may have an impact at the ballot box in November. Some registered voters – especially Republicans -- say their vote for Congress this fall will be against President Obama. More than half of Republicans (55%) say that, as do a quarter of independents.

**Do You See Midterm Vote as For or Against Pres. Obama?**

(Among Registered Voters)

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
For Obama	18%	1%	42%	11%
Against Obama	29	55	11	27
Not about Obama	50	44	46	57

**Issues and the 2014 Election**

Despite the conflicts overseas, the economy (38%) is the most important issue to both Republican and Democratic voters in this election. Most continue to say the nation’s economy is in bad shape.

Terrorism comes in second (17%), followed by health care (16%), immigration (10%), the federal budget deficit (8%), and international conflicts (6%)

The Republican Party leads the Democratic Party on some key issues. Voters nationwide say the Republican Party will do a better job on the economy (the top issue for voters), foreign policy, and terrorism. The Democrats have the edge on health care, despite the unpopularity of the Affordable Care Act. The parties are even on handling immigration.

As recently as early August, the parties were even on the economy at 42% each.

**Issues: Which Party Will Do a Better Job On...?**

(Among registered voters)

	Republican	Democratic
Terrorism	52%	31
The economy	49%	38
Foreign policy	49%	37
Immigration	42%	42
Health care	41%	46

The poll asked voters how a candidate’s stance on some issues might impact their vote. A candidate’s support for a hike in the minimum wage looks to be a plus. By more than two to one, registered voters say they are more likely, rather than less likely, to vote for a candidate that supports an increase in the minimum wage.

The impact of a candidate’s support for the health care law or a path to citizenship for illegal immigrants is largely driven by partisanship. Most Republicans say they are less likely to vote for a candidate who supports the health care law or a path to citizenship. On the other hand, majorities of Democrats are likely to support a candidate that backs these issues.

### Impact on Vote if a Candidate for Congress Supports...

(Among registered voters)

	Total	Reps	Dem	Inds
<b>Health Care Law</b>				
More likely	34%	13%	56%	32%
Less likely	35	64	11	35
No difference	25	17	28	28
<b>Path to Citizenship</b>				
More likely	30%	18%	41%	30%
Less Likely	39	58	20	40
No difference	26	18	32	27
<b>Minimum Wage Increase</b>				
More likely	49%	31%	73%	42%
Less likely	20	33	4	25
No difference	29	34	22	31

### Dissatisfaction with Washington and the Political Parties

Dissatisfaction among the public extends beyond the President. Americans give negative ratings to both parties in Congress, although the Republican Party gets a lower overall rating than the Democratic Party.

#### Ratings of Political Parties in Congress

	<u>Republicans in Congress</u>	<u>Democrats in Congress</u>
Approve	19%	30%
Disapprove	70	61

Americans are clearly displeased with Washington. 77% are dissatisfied or angry about the way things are going in the nation's capital. Majorities across party lines are unhappy, but Republicans (39%) are more likely to say they are angry than Democrats (16%).

#### Feelings About Washington

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
Enthusiastic	2%	0%	4%	1%
Satisfied	19	4	34	15
Dissatisfied	49	53	44	50
Angry	28	39	16	31

In addition, two-thirds of Americans say the country is off on the wrong track.

### Voting in the Midterms

This year's election campaigns have yet to capture the full attention of many voters. While six in 10 are paying at least some attention, just a quarter are paying a lot. And looking back to four years ago, more voters were paying attention then: 74% in September of that year, including 30% who were paying a lot of attention.

**Attention to the Campaign**

(Among registered voters)

	Now	9/2010
A lot	24%	30%
Some	36	44
Not much	24	18
None	15	8

Nor is there a lot of excitement about voting this year. Nearly half of registered voters say they are less enthusiastic than usual about voting compared to previous midterm elections. 38% are more enthusiastic, but that's down from 43% in 2010 and 2006. The level of enthusiasm among voters today is similar to what it was in 1998.

**Congressional Elections: Enthusiasm about Voting**

(Among registered voters)

	Now	9/2010	9/2006	10/2002	10/1998
More	38%	43%	43%	33%	37%
Less	49	41	35	42	42
The same (vol.)	10	14	20	22	18

But, there is a partisan enthusiasm gap: Republicans (45%) are more likely to be enthusiastic than either Democrats (33%) or independents (36%).

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(Among registered voters)

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Less	49	37	54	52
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If the elections for the U.S. House of Representatives were held today, Republicans would hold a six-point edge in a national vote among likely voters – those most apt to vote in this election. But with nearly two months to go before Election Day, there is time for change, as 12% of likely voters say they don't know who they would vote for or it depends.

Even those who plan to vote for the Republican candidate for Congress this year disapprove of the Republicans in Congress, but they disapprove of the Democrats, and President Obama, much more.

**Generic Ballot: 2014 Congressional Vote**

(Among likely voters)

Republican	45%
Democrat	39
Depends/Not sure	12

At this point, men are backing the Republican candidate for Congress, while women are more divided in their support. While most partisans plan to vote for their own party's candidate, independents say they'll cast their vote for the Republican. Suburban and rural voters lean toward the Republican candidate, while those in urban area are inclined to support the Democrat.

**Generic Ballot: 2014 Congressional Vote**

(Among likely voters)

	Republican	Democratic	Depends/not sure
Total	45%	39	12
Men	49%	35	13
Women	42%	43	12
Reps	92%	3	6
Dems	10%	84	6
Inds	40%	31	23
Cities	33%	46	16
Suburbs	49%	38	11
Rural	55%	32	12

Amid dissatisfaction with Washington, only 5% of voters think most members of Congress have done a good enough job to deserve re-election. 87% say it's time to give new people a chance – the highest in CBS News/New York Times Polls.

**Most Members of Congress Deserve Re-Election?**

(Among registered voters)

	Now	5/2014	2/2010	9/2006	10/2002	10/1998
Yes, deserve re-election	5%	5%	8%	12%	15%	24%
No, time for new people	87	86	81	76	70	64

Voters are only marginally happier with their own Congressional Representative. Just 28% (a record low) think their own House member deserves re-election, and 63% think it's time for someone new (a record high).

**Own Member of Congress Deserve Re-Election?**

(Among registered voters)

	Now	5/2014	9/2010	9/2006	10/2002	10/1994	10/1990
Yes, deserves re-election	28%	29%	34%	42%	50%	38%	47%
No, time for new person	63	62	55	47	38	52	41

**Other issues**

This poll finds no improvement in overall views of the health care law. More Americans disapprove than approve of it, as they have since the law was passed.

**Health Care Law**

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
Approve	41%	12%	67%	38%
Disapprove	51	83	24	54

On the economic side, seven in 10 Americans support increasing the federal minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$10.10.

### Raise Federal Minimum Wage to \$10.10 an Hour?

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
Favor	70%	50%	88%	68%
Oppose	28	48	11	29

Americans continue to support legal status for illegal immigrants currently in the U.S., including half who favor a path to citizenship.

### Illegal Immigrants in the U.S. Should...

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
Stay and apply for citizenship	50%	37%	65%	46%
Stay in US, but not apply	13	12	10	15
Required to leave the US	32	46	18	33

A slim majority think President Obama should take action by executive order if Congress does not address the issue of immigration. Most Republicans are opposed to this.

### Should Obama Use Executive Order for Immigration Reform?

	All	Reps	Dems	Inds
Should	51%	36%	66%	49%
Should Not	43	59	27	46

As they have for about a year now, a majority of Americans say it should be legal for same-sex couples to marry. Democrats and independents are more likely than Republicans to think that it should be legal.

### Same-Sex Marriage

	Total	Reps	Dems	Inds
Legal	56%	41%	63%	59%
Not legal	37	52	33	32

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This poll was conducted by telephone September 12-15, 2014 among 1,009 adults nationwide, including 854 registered voters. The sample size for likely voters is 470. Not all likely voters are assigned the same probability of voting.

The error due to sampling for results based on the entire sample could be plus or minus three percentage points. The error for subgroups may be higher. For the samples of registered voters and likely voters, the error due to sampling could be plus or minus four percentage points.

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**CBS NEWS/ NEW YORK TIMES POLL**  
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Q1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	TOTAL RESPONDENTS				Jul14c
	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	
	%	%	%	%	%
Approve	40	9	69	36	41
Disapprove	50	88	20	51	50
Don't know/No answer	10	3	11	13	10

Q3. Do you feel things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

Right direction	27	6	49	25	25
Wrong track	66	93	42	67	67
Don't know/No answer	7	1	10	8	9

Q4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?

Approve	34	8	63	28	36
Disapprove	58	91	29	60	48
Don't know/No answer	8	1	8	12	16

Q5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy?

Approve	40	12	70	35	40
Disapprove	53	86	25	54	54
Don't know/No answer	7	2	5	11	6

Q6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the threat of terrorism?

					Mar14c
Approve	41	15	65	38	53
Disapprove	50	79	26	51	38
Don't know/No answer	9	6	9	11	9

Q8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the issue of immigration?

					Jul14c
Approve	30	10	52	27	31
Disapprove	60	87	36	61	57
Don't know/No answer	10	3	12	12	12

Q9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job?

					Nov13c
Approve	19	31	10	18	21
Disapprove	70	59	82	69	73
Don't know/No answer	11	10	8	13	6

Q10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job?

	<b>TOTAL RESPONDENTS</b>				Nov13c
	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	
	%	%	%	%	%
Approve	30	5	55	26	26
Disapprove	61	90	38	62	68
Don't know/No answer	9	5	8	12	6

Q11. How would you rate the condition of the national economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?

					Jul14c
	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	%
Very good	4	*	7	3	3
Fairly good	40	23	55	39	37
Fairly bad	35	49	22	36	34
Very bad	20	28	14	20	24
Don't know/No answer	1	*	2	1	2

Q12. Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	Jul14c
Better	26	12	43	23	26
Worse	26	41	15	26	30
Same	46	46	41	50	43
Don't know/No answer	1	*	1	1	1

Q15. How much attention have you been able to pay to the 2014 election campaign — a lot, some, not much or no attention so far?

	<b>AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS</b>				Jul14c
	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	
A lot	24	27	21	24	25
Some	36	41	34	34	39
Not much	24	19	28	25	21
No attention	15	12	16	17	14
Don't know/No answer	1	1	1	*	1

Q16. How likely is it that you will vote in the 2014 election for Congress in November — would you say you will definitely vote, probably vote, probably not vote, or definitely not vote in the election for Congress?

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	Jul14c
Definitely	68	71	63	70	68
Probably	22	24	23	21	21
Probably not	7	4	10	7	8
Definitely not	1	1	2	1	2
Don't know/No answer	1	1	2	*	1

Q17. If the 2014 election for U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for the (Republican) candidate or the (Democratic) candidate in your district?

**AMONG LIKELY VOTERS**

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %
Republican	45	92	10	40
Democratic	39	3	84	31
Other	2	-	1	5
Won't vote	1	*	-	1
Depends	3	1	3	5
Don't know/No answer	9	5	3	18

Q17/Q18. Combo with leaners:

If the 2014 election for U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for the (Republican) candidate or the (Democratic) candidate in your district?/Well as of today, do you lean more toward the (Republican) candidate or more toward the (Democratic) candidate?

Republican	49	96	10	47
Democrat	42	3	86	35
Other	3	*	1	6
Won't Vote	1	*	-	1
Depends	1	-	1	3
Don't know/No answer	4	1	2	7

Q19. Compared to previous Congressional elections, this year are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?

	<b>AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS</b>				July14c
More enthusiastic	38	45	33	36	36
Less enthusiastic	49	37	54	52	49
Same (Vol.)	10	14	10	8	12
Don't know/No answer	3	3	4	3	3

Q20. Do you think most members of Congress have done a good enough job to deserve re-election, or do you think it's time to give new people a chance?

					May14c
Deserve re-election	5	3	7	5	5
Time for new people	87	91	85	87	86
Depends (Vol.)	4	4	3	4	3
Don't know/No answer	4	3	4	5	5

Q21. Do you think the representative in Congress from your district has performed his or her job well enough to deserve re-election, or do you think it's time to give a new person a chance?

**AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS**

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	May14c
	%	%	%	%	%
Deserve re-election	28	29	31	26	29
Time for new people	63	62	59	66	62
Depends (Vol.)	2	1	2	2	2
Don't know/No answer	7	8	8	6	8

Q38. In general which comes closest to your feelings about the Obama presidency so far? Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat disappointed or very disappointed?

**TOTAL RESPONDENTS**

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	Feb14c
Very satisfied	9	1	19	6	10
Somewhat satisfied	32	9	53	31	30
Somewhat disappointed	22	16	16	29	22
Very disappointed	35	74	9	33	37
Don't know/No answer	2	1	2	2	1

Q13. Which comes closest to your feelings about the way things are going in Washington – enthusiastic, satisfied but not enthusiastic, dissatisfied but not angry, or angry?

Enthusiastic	2	-	4	1	1
Satisfied but not enthusiastic	19	4	34	15	18
Dissatisfied but not angry	49	53	44	50	49
Angry	28	39	16	31	30
Don't know/No answer	3	4	2	3	2

Q22. Which ONE of the following issues will be MOST important in deciding your vote for Congress this November?

**AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS**

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
The Economy	38	32	39	40
Terrorism	17	22	15	15
Health care	16	10	24	15
Immigration	10	13	9	10
Federal budget deficit	8	9	7	8
International conflicts	6	8	3	8
Something else (vol.)	1	1	2	2
Don't know/No answer	3	5	2	2

Q23. And which ONE of the following issues would you say is the SECOND most important in deciding your vote for Congress this November?

**AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS**

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %
The Economy	23	19	26	22
Health care	23	23	27	20
Immigration	14	15	10	16
Federal budget deficit	14	12	11	18
Terrorism	14	14	15	15
International conflicts	11	17	10	8
Something else (vol.)	1	*	1	1
Don't know/No answer	1	1	1	*

Q24. Do you think of your vote for Congress this fall as a vote (for) Barack Obama, a vote (against) Barack Obama, or don't you think of your vote this fall as being about Barack Obama?

					Mar14c %
Vote for	18	1	42	11	19
Vote against	29	55	11	27	29
Not about Barack Obama	50	44	46	57	46
Don't know/No answer	3	1	2	6	7

Q25. Thinking about this November's elections for Congress, overall, would you say you are very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not enthusiastic at all about voting?

					Jun14d
Very enthusiastic	20	26	19	18	23
Somewhat enthusiastic	38	37	40	37	37
Not too enthusiastic	28	23	30	29	23
Not enthusiastic at all	13	13	10	16	15
Don't know/No answer	1	2	*	*	1

Q28. If a candidate for Congress supports (INSERT ITEM), would that make you more likely to vote for the candidate, would it make you less likely, or would the candidate's support of (INSERT ITEM) not make much difference in your vote?

a. the 2010 health care law

**AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS**

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %
More likely	34	13	56	32
Less likely	35	64	11	35
No difference	25	17	28	28
Don't know/No answer	5	6	5	5

b. a path to citizenship for illegal immigrants

More likely	30	18	41	30
Less likely	39	58	20	40
No difference	26	18	32	27
Don't know/No answer	5	6	6	3

c. raising the minimum wage

More likely	49	31	73	42
Less likely	20	33	4	25
No difference	29	34	22	31
Don't know/No answer	1	2	1	2

d. the tea party movement

More likely	15	31	7	11
Less likely	32	12	53	28
No difference	44	43	34	53
Don't know/No answer	9	13	7	8

Q29. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the (Republican Party) or the (Democratic Party) is more likely to do a better job handling immigration issues?

**AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS**

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %	Jul14c %
Republican Party	42	80	14	40	38
Democratic Party	42	12	74	36	41
Both (Vol.)	0	1	*	1	1
Neither (Vol.)	6	3	3	11	8
Don't know/No answer	10	5	8	13	12

Q30. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the (Republican Party) or the (Democratic Party) is more likely to do a better job on the economy?

**AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS**

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %	Jul14c %
Republican Party	49	93	15	46	42
Democratic Party	38	3	75	32	42
Both (Vol.)	1	1	2	1	1
Neither (Vol.)	5	2	2	10	6
Don't know/No answer	7	1	7	11	9

Q31. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the (Republican Party) or the (Democratic Party) is more likely to do a better job on U.S. foreign policy?

					May14c
Republican Party	49	89	18	46	48
Democratic Party	37	4	69	34	38
Both (Vol.)	1	1	1	0	2
Neither (Vol.)	4	3	1	7	5
Don't know/No answer	10	4	10	13	7

Q32. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the (Republican Party) or the (Democratic Party) is more likely to do a better job dealing with terrorism?

					Sep10b
Republican Party	52	88	23	51	44
Democratic Party	31	7	60	24	31
Both (Vol.)	3	1	4	3	10
Neither (Vol.)	6	2	4	9	7
Don't know/No answer	9	2	10	13	8

Q33. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the (Republican Party) or the (Democratic Party) is more likely to do a better job on health care?

					May14c
Republican Party	41	82	8	40	40
Democratic Party	46	10	86	37	50
Both (Vol.)	0	*	0	0	-
Neither (Vol.)	5	3	0	10	5
Don't know/No answer	8	5	5	12	5

Q45a. Do you think Barack Obama is being too tough, not tough enough or about right in dealing with ISIS militants?

**TOTAL RESPONDENTS**

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %
Too tough	2	-	2	3
Not tough enough	57	83	40	54
About right	31	12	50	29
Don't know/No answer	10	5	8	14

Q55. As you may know, the federal minimum wage is currently \$7.25 an hour. Do you favor or oppose raising the minimum wage to \$10.10?

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %	Feb14c %
Favor	70	50	88	68	65
Oppose	28	48	11	29	33
Don't know/No answer	2	2	1	3	2

Q55a. Do you think it should be legal or not legal for same sex couples to marry?

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %	Jul14c %
Yes, legal	56	41	63	59	53
No, not legal	37	52	33	32	40
Don't know/No answer	7	6	5	9	7

Q56. From what you've heard or read, do you approve or disapprove of the health care law that was enacted in 2010?

(If Approve, ask:) Do you strongly approve or somewhat approve?

(If Disapprove, ask:) Do you somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove?

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %	Feb14c %
Strongly approve	20	3	40	15	20
Somewhat approve	21	9	27	23	21
Somewhat disapprove	15	16	13	16	12
Strongly disapprove	36	67	11	38	38
Don't know/No answer	7	5	9	7	8

Q59. Which comes closest to your view about illegal immigrants who are living in the US? (They should be allowed to stay in the US and eventually apply for citizenship), they should be allowed to stay in the US legally, but not be allowed to apply for citizenship or (they should be required to leave the US).

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %	Feb14c %
Stay and apply for citizenship	50	37	65	46	54
Stay in the US legally, but not apply	13	12	10	15	11
Required to leave the US	32	46	18	33	30
Don't know/No answer	6	5	6	7	5

Q61. If Congress does not act to address the immigration issue, do you think Barack Obama should or should not take action using executive orders?

**TOTAL RESPONDENTS**

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %
Should	51	36	66	49
Should not	43	59	27	46
Don't know/No answer	6	5	7	5

Q68. When you think about your own personal finances over the next few months, do you feel very confident, somewhat confident, somewhat uneasy, or very uneasy?

					Feb11a %
Very confident	18	19	21	17	23
Somewhat confident	37	37	43	34	37
Somewhat uneasy	27	24	21	32	26
Very uneasy	16	19	14	17	14
Don't know/No answer	1	1	1	1	0

	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted</u>
Total Respondents	1,009	
Total Republicans	242	234
Total Democrats	317	304
Total Independents	450	470
Total Registered Voters	854	784
Effective Likely Voters		470